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STRABOLGI URGES PEACE PARLEYS WITH CONGRESS

SARKER'S APPEAL NOT TO LET THINGS DRIFT

(From A Special Correspondent)

LONDON, March 4.

At a thanksgiving meeting held last night organised by the India League, Lord Strabolgi said that he was thankful that Gandhiji did not die while a Britain's prisoner. Seconding the resolution demanding Gandhiji's release, he stressed the opening of negotiations.

MR. KRISHNA MENON DECLARED THAT MR. AMERY SHOULD RESIGN.

MISS AGATHA HARRISON SAID THAT GANDHIJI WAS SAVED NOT ONLY FOR INDIA BUT FOR HUMANITY.

MESSAGES WERE RECEIVED FROM LORD HUNTINGDON, MR. EDWARD THOMPSON, MR. LAURENCE HOUSMAN AND THE DEAN OF CANTERBURY EXPRESSING URGENCY OF GANDHIJI'S RELEASE.

IT IS FELT IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES THAT, WHATEVER HAPPENS, GANDHIJI'S RELEASE IS IMPOSSIBLE; AND SO AN APPEAL ONCE MORE BY LEADERS SEEMS A FORLORN HOPE.

OPEN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CONGRESS

Release Gandhiji Immediately, Says Strabolgi

LONDON, March 3.

Lord Strabolgi, speaking tonight at a meeting of the India League in London, said that with the end of Mr. Gandhi's fast fresh negotiations with the leaders of the Congress and other communities in India should be opened up immediately and the release of Mr. Gandhi might be the first step.

The future course of the war in the east would depend on the action Britain was now prepared to take, he added.—Reuter.

GANDHIJI SLEEPS WELL

POONA, March 4.

The following is the report on Mr. Gandhi's health up to this morning issued under the signatures of Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Lt.-Col. M. G. Bhandari, Dr. S. Nayar and Lt.-Col. B. Z. Shah:—

"After breaking his fast, Mr Gandhi took orange juice, honey and water during the day. He slept well and is cheerful."

'C. R.'s' NEXT STEP?

NAGPUR, March 3.

It is reliably understood that 'C. R.' proposes to hold a small conference of leaders shortly with a view to place before them his reactions to Gandhiji's fast. This informal conference is expected to take some definite steps to solve the present political stalemate.—Orient Press.

BACK TO CRIPPS

Sarkar Prescribes New Technique For Congress

CALCUTTA, March 4.

"Considering the reality of the situation in India, so far as the relations between the various communities are concerned, and considering further the implications of the war situation, Congress should, under the leadership of Gandhiji now be prepared to reconsider its technique for obtaining political freedom" said Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar, lately Commerce Member of the Government of India, addressing a meeting of the Indian Journalists' Association today held to offer prayers for the long life of Mahatma Gandhi.

Mr. Sarkar. "A political settlement is a common interest. But the events of the last ten months have made it nobody's concern. Shall we not then try to get back to the position of April last? I have always been in favour of accepting the Cripps' proposals. The Cripps' formula would have been the best possible solution in the prevailing circumstances. But since that opportunity has been missed, I feel we must again try to get back to that stage, and I hope that, in a far-reaching and all important issue like this, prestige will not be allowed to stand in the way of our efforts."

Mr. Sarkar added that "the British Government also must realise that even though they have, to all appearances, been able to suppress the Congress temporarily, the continuance of such a situation cannot bring any benefit to the British either. It behoves them, therefore, also to help in finding a way out by getting back to the stage of the Cripps' formula. If the British Government were sincere, if their professions regarding universal democracy and freedom are meant to be taken seriously, it is incumbent on them also, if they are to be consistent to show an altered attitude."

AMERICA MUST INTERVENE

Mr. Sarkar, continuing, said that "already many of the actions of the British Government have given rise to suspicions in various quarters about the sincerity of their intentions. These suspicions should not be allowed to grow. If they really mean to give to India the substance of freedom after the war, it is upto them even during the war, subject, of course, to war efforts not being impeded in any way, to try their best to end the present tangle."

"The Indians are an emotional people and they had placed much faith in the American declarations about freedom and self-determination for all peoples. If the high principles which America enunciated are not to apply to the vast section of humanity that inhabits India, the declarations would, indeed, be meaningless. I think that if American promises of world reconstruction and the establishment of a new order are of any value, the people of America should also, through their Government, take this opportunity to persuade the British people to settle the Indian deadlock."

Earlier in his speech, Mr. Sarkar said that he thought it would be generally agreed that the one thing that was borne in upon us was that the victory of the Allied nations was a necessary basis of India's Swaraj.

Praying that Gandhiji may come round soon and may be spared to us for many long years yet, Mr. Sarkar said that "Gandhiji is the one man in India today who could be expected to bring together all parties and sections, notwithstanding the welter of confusion and cleavage and differences that now exist. What has been achieved as a preliminary to national unity during these three weeks is by no means to be minimised. I feel that we should not, now that Mahatma Gandhi's fast has been ended, let things drift. I am sure that after the fast Gandhiji will be able to have a stocktaking made. He would surely assess how far in actual results the policy and programme pursued by the Congress in the past have been of use in taking us nearer to our political objectives namely freedom and self-determination for ourselves. And we can depend on him to act courageously according to the results of such examination".—A. P.

FIRST SOVIET MINISTER TO AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, March 4.

The first Soviet Minister to Australia M. Vlasov has arrived in Australia and will meet the Commonwealth Premier Mr. John Curtin and other Cabinet Ministers tomorrow (Friday). M. Vlasov travelled 'via' Vladivostok and the United States with a party of 14, including his wife and three children.—Reuter.

SARKER TO JOIN BENGAL CABINET?

CALCUTTA, March 4.

It is understood that conversations have taken place between the Premier of Bengal, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, and Mr. N. R. Sarker, formerly Commerce Member of the Government of India, regarding the latter joining the Bengal Cabinet.

It is learnt that Mr. Sarker is considering the proposal, and is expected to give a reply shortly.—A. P.

BENGAL GOVERNOR IN NEW DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 4.

His Excellency the Governor of Bengal and the Lady Mary Herbert have arrived here.—A. P.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS IN BOMBAY

Mr. William Phillips, the Personal Representative of the President of the United States at New Delhi, will arrive in Bombay by the Frontier Mail, Saturday morning, March 6th, for a visit of several days.

He will be the guest of Government House for the two days immediately following his arrival, after which he will stay with Mr. Howard Donovan, American Consul, Bombay, at the latter's residence, "Villa Felicia," Warden Road.

THREE-WEEK ITINERARY

NEW DELHI, March 4.

Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's Personal Representative in India, is leaving to-morrow morning on a three week tour of Bombay, Hyderabad, Mysore, Travancore and Madras.—A. P.

ROUND-UP OF BELGIANS

For Compulsory Labour In Germany

LONDON, March 4.

The German radio states Belgians are being rounded up in thousands for compulsory labour on the Channel coast and in Germany.

The announcer said: "All farmers between the ages of 21 and 25 will be taken from the land. All youngsters between 18 and 20 years of age have been mobilised for compulsory labour in Germany. Some 75,000 skilled workers will be freed for Germany's war industry. All small trades except those of vital importance are to be closed down. The textile industry will be combed out in the same way. Thirty per cent of all employees in the catering industry will be sent to Germany."—Reuter.

SEVEN AXIS VESSELS DESTROYED

Br. Submarines Active In Mediterranean: U.S. Bombers Attack Messina

LONDON, March 4.

British submarines destroyed seven Axis vessels and damaged nine others in the Mediterranean, it is officially announced.

An Admiralty 'communique' states: "One of His Majesty's submarines reports that when she surfaced in the Gulf of Genoa near the Italian coast, she opened fire on a ship building yard and scored several hits with high explosive shells on two vessels on stocks. Another submarine operating close in shore, shelled a train on a bridge. In addition to these two successful actions, His Majesty's submarines operating against Axis supply lines in the Mediterranean have destroyed seven more enemy vessels. These included a large supply ship, a supply ship of medium size, two supply ships, a mine-sweeper and two tugs.

Our submarines also damaged nine other enemy vessels among which were a large tanker and a large supply ship.

U. S. BOMBERS ATTACK MESSINA

CAIRO, March 4.

It is officially announced that United States heavy bombers attacked Messina in daylight yesterday.

To-day's R. A. F. Middle East 'communique' states: "One Junker's 88 was damaged by our Fighters during a dusk attack by the enemy on March 2 on Tripoli. During daylight yesterday, heavy bombers of the United States A. A. F. attacked Messina. From these and other operations all our aircraft returned safely."

FIGHTING IN TUNISIA

LONDON: Allied headquarters in North Africa:—To-day's Allied 'communique' states: "In Northern Tunisia, fighting continues in the area of Sedjenane, where the enemy gained some ground at the expense of very heavy casualties. Attacks in other areas were all successfully repulsed. Enemy infantry advancing east of the Mareth area were successfully engaged and repulsed by our light armoured forces. The enemy is reinforcing his infantry with tanks in this area.

On the night of March 2|3 targets at Tunis and objectives near Mareth were bombed. Yesterday our bombers attacked the airfield at Tunis and made raids on enemy landing grounds in the Gabes area."

EIGHTH ARMY'S PUSH WESTWARDS

CAIRO:—Preparations for the next phase of the Eighth Army's push westwards are believed to have reached an advanced stage.

Patrols have been actively testing the strength of the Mareth Line.

SOVIET TAKES MORE TOWNS & VILLAGES

All German Counter-moves Smashed: Enemy Centres In Kuban Captured

BERLIN, March 4.

A German communique states that in the southern part of the eastern front, rain and mud have severely restricted operations.

Hitler's Eastern Front Cracking

MOSCOW, March 4.

Morning despatch from Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow:—Hitler's eastern front is bending and cracking from Staraya Russsa to Orel as the Red Army drives on from its new successes on the Moscow front and in the Ukraine.

Forging ahead today beyond recaptured Rzhev, Soviet forces have taken eleven more towns or villages in a new drive in the general direction of Smolensk, the citadel of the German central front.

The Soviet communique today reported new advances and the smashing of all German counter-moves.

COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED

A supplement to the Soviet midday communique says: "Our troops after capturing Rzhev forged ahead in a south-westerly direction. The Germans launched counter-attacks with infantry and tanks in an attempt to hold our advance and consolidate themselves. All these counter-attacks were repulsed. Our troops captured eleven inhabited localities."

In the area of Lgov the Russians continued offensive engagements. In one sector our troops occupied an inhabited locality. The Germans counter-attacked and succeeded in breaking into it again but were thrown back again. Pursuing the enemy our troops wiped out 300 Germans.

In the Kuban, Russian troops continued offensive engagements and captured several German fortified centres. Prisoners were taken.

RUSSIANS TAKE THREE BIG TOWNS

The Soviet midnight communique says:—On March 3 after protracted and fierce fighting our troops occupied the town of Rzhev.

Our troops after stubborn engagements occupied the town and railway junction of Lgov and the town of Dimitrilgovsk.

The German radio announced today that the Red Army had made "local breaches" in the flanks of the front surrounding Orel.—Reuter.

TARGETS IN GERMANY AND HOLLAND ATTACKED

LONDON, March 4.

It is announced by the Headquarters of the European theatre of operations, United States army:

United States' Army Air Force flying fortresses attacked targets in Germany and Holland today overcoming adverse weather conditions, one formation penetrated to the important railway marshalling yards and junction at Hamm in Germany. No enemy opposition to this attack was encountered at the target and the results were good with direct hits on the yards observed.—Reuter.

R.A.F. ATTACK ON ENEMY CONVOY

MALTA:—It is announced that last night R.A.F. torpedo bombers attacked an enemy convoy in the central Mediterranean.

A hit was seen to cause fire on a large supply ship. Two Axis planes were destroyed.—Reuter.

Japs Pushed 80 Miles Back

CHUNGKING:—A Chinese military spokesman stated that the Chinese counter-attacked in north Kiangsi pushing back the Japanese 80 miles eastward.

An unconfirmed report from south-western Yunnan says that the Chinese have recaptured Mengting near the border of the Shan states.

Turkish Press Mission In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, March 4.

The Turkish Press Mission arrived in Jerusalem from India for a brief visit before continuing their journey home.—Reuter.

All Depends Upon Reconquest Of Burma

Cranborne's Apologia For Unsatisfactory Aid To China

LONDON, March 4.

The Leader of the House of Lords, Viscount Cranborne, replying to the debate on China said, "Whatever can be sent to China is being sent. Measures are already in hand to extend the capacity of air transport facilities. No radical improvement in the situation as to sending aid to China could be expected, until the reconquest of Burma made the main highway available. That must remain the primary objective of our strategy."

Lord Cranborne continued that American sympathy for China was remarkably illustrated during Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek's visit. Whatever can be sent is being sent, but air transport inevitably restricts the total amount and excludes certain heavy material.

An expansion of the air transport capacity is in hand, and it is hoped very soon to send larger volume of freight. Lord Cranborne answering the suggestion by Lord Strabolgi that one thousand transport planes would be sufficient, said this was probably true, but he doubted if one thousand such planes existed. The United States are the greatest producer of transport planes, and they are better able than anyone else to supply them for the use of the Chinese. "The British Government and the Government of India are given all possible assistance to develop air transport recognising it as China's main life line at present. Meanwhile, they are building up a reserve of supplies in India from the British and United States sources for transport as soon as circumstances allow. Every effort is being made to organise alternative land routes. I cannot give details for the Japanese would very much like to know them. But these routes cannot entirely replace the Burma Road. So long as the Burma road is closed, the supply position is bound to be unsatisfactory, but every effort is being made and will be made in whatever way possibl, to get supplies to China, pending radical improvement in the strategic situation. Allied operations in the South-West Pacific are affording the Chinese further relief. The South-West Pacific is an open wound weakening Japan both in men and material. The war is not going well for Japan in the Pacific. Her expansion has been checked, and is at present even definitely ebbing."

After recounting the latest Allied successes in that area Lord Cranborne said, "in forming our plans the importance of Chinese airfields will not be forgotten. Here I would pay a very sincere tribute to the heroic deeds of the American Volunteer Airforce. The Far Eastern strategy is under constant examination by the Pacific War Council at Washington, of which China is a member. Efforts are being made to produce a co-ordinated plan, but in considering Far Eastern strategy, we must remember Russia is not at war with Japan."

Lord Cranborne concluded by reiterating the Government's desire to receive Madame Chiang Kai-Shek.

HALIFAX ON INDIAN SETTLEMENT

NEW YORK, March 4.

Lord Halifax in an article contributed to the Magazine "the American" says he has "not the least doubt that what is called the Indian question, will be settled amicably." He makes the statement after relating the purpose of sending Sir Stafford Cripps to India, adding, "Meanwhile, we continue to regard India as a trust and not a possession. We do not draw one penny of revenue from her. She is making a magnificent contribution to the war effort. All her leaders are free to carry on as usual except those whose unpredictable activities might prove harmful to her national safety. Against those, the authorities have found it necessary to invoke the due processes of the law."—Reuter.

Australia's Sound Food Position

CANBERRA, March 4.

The Australian Shipping Minister, Mr. Beasley told the House of Representatives to-day that the Government was satisfied with its food organisation. He said, "there has been no complaint from the Australian or Allied fighting forces of food shortage through breakdown of supply nor has Australia refused a single request from Britain, India or the Middle East for food for the fighting services".—Reuter.

U. S. Bill For Lend-Lease Aid To India

WASHINGTON, March 4.

The United States Office of War Information in a special report on Lend-Lease aid to India said that India was being strengthened with the aid of Lend-Lease as the course of supply for Allied armies in China, India and the areas of the Middle East. The report stated in part "the Lend-Lease programme for India includes improvements of Indian harbours and railway systems and increased shipments of machine tools and raw materials to enable expanded production on the spot of munitions and other supplies to save shipping from the United States and England. From its inception in March 1941 to January 1st this year, Lend-Lease aid to India totalled 295,501,494 dollars in value.—Reuter.

BRITISH NAVAL LOSSES

LONDON, March 4.

The total of British naval losses during the war were given in the House of Lords to-day. The figures were:—

5 Capital ships lost,
7 aircraft carriers,
25 cruisers,
14 armed merchant cruisers,
94 destroyers,
14 corvettes,
44 submarines, one monitor,
8 sloops,
22 minesweepers,
156 trawlers,
14 drifters,
One minelayer
3 yachts, 5 gunboats and three cutters.—Reuter.

Another Lapse By National War Front

Bombay Tagore Society Executive's Protest

The Managing Council of Tagore Society, Bombay, has passed the following resolution, recording its strong protest against the National War Front for dragging in the Poet's name for the sake of propaganda:—

The Managing Council of Tagore Society, Bombay, do hereby put on record their strongest disapproval of the manner in which the National War Front have sought to exploit the Poet's name for purposes of propaganda in an advertisement which appeared in the "Times of India" of February 26 and in other papers. The Council considers that it is nothing short of a sacrilege to broadcast quotations from the Poet's writings divorced from their context and to twist his statements for political ends.

The N. W. F., we feel, could stoop to such expedients only because they know that the departed Poet can no longer raise his voice in protest against such wilful misrepresentation of his views. But Tagore's voice has not been silenced yet. It is needless to repeat how deeply Tagore felt the injustice done to India in withholding freedom and democracy to her during a war which was professedly being fought for these ideals.

WHAT TAGORE SAID

Lest the public be misled by N. W. F. propaganda, we should like to place before them the following lines from Tagore's memorable message on "Crisis in Civilisation", delivered in May 1941, three months before his death:—

"We know what we have been deprived of that which was truly best in their own civilisations, the upholdings of the dignity of human relationship, has no place in the British administration of this country. In its place they have established, with baton in hand, a reign of "law and order", in other words a policeman's rule; such mockery of civilisation can claim no respect from us.

"The wheels of Fate will some day compel the English to give up their Indian empire. But what kind of India will they leave behind, what stark misery? When the stream of their centuries' administration runs dry at last, what a waste of mud and filth they will leave behind them. I had at one time believed that the springs of civilisation would issue out of the heart of Europe. But to-day when I am about to quit the world that faith has gone bankrupt altogether".

In view of the above, we hope the National War Front would have the decency to withdraw the offending advertisement at once. They should also make due amends, in whatever way they think best, for the grave injustice they have done to the memory of the great Poet.

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The Polling Superintendent will give such assistance as may be required to any voter who, by reason of illiteracy or physical or other disability, is unable to vote in the manner prescribed.

After a voter has received his voting paper, no candidate will be allowed to communicate with him in any manner whatsoever.

The attention of candidates and voters is invited to sections 171-B, 171-C, 171-D, 171-E and 171-F of the Indian Penal Code (Act No. XLV of 1860) as amended by the Indian Elections Offences and Enquiries Act, XXXIX of 1920, and also to sections 196 and Schedule II of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898, as amended by the Bombay Criminal Procedure (Elections Offences) Amendment Act, 1935 (Act XXIX of 1935), which render any person committing the offence of personation at Elections liable to arrest by the Police without warrant.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner
for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 3rd March, 1943.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MIRZA GULAM AHMED ABDUL KARIM and MIRZA GULAM MUSTAFA ABDUL KARIM, both of Bombay Muslim Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

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Messrs. MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 10th March, 1943, at 2-30 P.M. (S. T.) at Cotton Depot, Sewree near the Cotton Exchange Building by order of the Insurance Offices concerned the abovementioned cotton slightly damaged by fire and water or water salved from the fire that occurred on the 4th February, 1943, to the cotton of Messrs. The Cotton Import & Export Co., Ltd.

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PROFITEERING IN BREAD

Who Is Responsible For It In City?

The Honorary Secretary, the Bombay and Suburban Hotel and Restaurant-keepers' Association writes:—

The Bombay Bakers' Association is carrying on propaganda in papers by accusing hotel-keepers of exorbitant charges of bread with a view to escape from the public wrath. It is well known to the public that the hotel-keepers are mere innocent intermediaries between the bakers on the one hand and the public on the other hand.

If there was any particle of truth in the complaint that the hotel-keepers are responsible for the present rise in prices of bread, the complaint should have been made long before and would have emanated from the public.

Evidence was laid before Dr. Shirname, the Controller of Prices showing that for the present abnormal rise in prices some leading bakers are responsible, who compel the city bakers to raise the bread prices. We fully know that for the present difficult times these leading bakers are responsible, who not only make huge profits but intend to ruin the small bakers. These facts are known to the Government and we fail to understand why these bakers are publicly allowed to profiteer? The bakers who desire to sell bread at ressonable prices are not only threatened but their quotas are cut down. Will the Government take necessary action before it is too late.

HALLET ON "CONGRESS REBELLION"

LUCKNOW, March 4.

H. E. Sir Maurice Hallet, Governor of the United Provinces, replying to an address from the Maharaja Saheb of Balrampur said:—

"An important aspect of the war effort", added the Governor, "is the maintenance of internal peace. The attack upon communications during the Congress rebellion of August last might have had most serious results had it occurred while active operations were being undertaken against Japan in the east. If we are to win the war, we must in no circumstance allow a repetition of events of that time".—A. P.

BOMBAY RATIONING ORDER

The Government of Bombay, in the course of the Bombay Rationing Order, 1943, say:—

With a view to controlling the distribution of any rationed article, the Provincial Government or an officer authorised by the Provincial Government in respect of any area in this behalf may issue an authorisation to any person being a wholesale dealer, retail dealer or having charge of an establishment to supply any rationed article in such area in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order and such authorisation shall specify the rationed article in respect of which it is issued.

No person other than an authorised wholesale distributor, an authorised retail distributor or an authorised establishment shall, on and after the rationing date, supply or offer or attempt to supply to any person any rationed article.

No authorised retail distributor or authorised establishment shall, on and after the rationing date, supply or offer or attempt to supply any rationed article except for household consumption, establishment consumption or for the purposes of an establishment other than establishment consumption and except under and in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order.

No person shall, on and after the rationing date, obtain or attempt to obtain any rationed article except for household consumption, for establishment consumption or for the purposes of an establishment other than establishment consumption and except under and in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order.

The foregoing provisions shall not apply to distribution by any person of any ration ed article lawfully obtained by him—

(a) to members of the same household or to guests sharing meals in such household; or

(b) to any other person either without payment of price of such rationed article or in exchange for any other rationed article.

The Bombay Rationing Order, 1943, shall come into force in the City of Bombay, on the 4th day of March, 1943.

A ration card shall consist of twenty-four coupons. Each coupon shall bear an inscription denoting the serial number of the week, reckoned from the first week, for which the coupon shall be valid:

Provided that the Provincial Government may by notification in the Official Gazette declare that coupons bearing specified serial numbers shall be valid also during other specified weeks in respect of any person or class of persons or the public generally.

Retrocede Andhra Parts To Nizam

OSMANIA GRADUATES' CONFERENCE DEMAND

(From Our Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Mar. 3.

"The Osmania Graduates' Conference has always favoured establishment of responsible Government in Hyderabad State". Thus observed Nawab Mir Ahmedali Khan, presiding over the 10th annual session of the Osmania Graduates' Conference, to-day. The speaker also emphasised that Andhra parts which belonged to Hyderabad State should be retroceded to the Nizam and thus bring about formation of Andhra province under the aegis of H.E.H. the Nizam.

It is understood the Maharaja of Navagagar, Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, reaches Hyderabad on 7th March, and will stay as State guest till 13th. During his brief stay he meets His Exalted Highness Nizam. In course of an interview C. K. Naidu, Skipper, Indore Team, observed that he favoured Moinudoula Cricket Tourney being run on an All-India basis, and paid eulogistic tributes to local talent.

JOINT HINDU-SIKH FRONT OF YOUTHS

AMRITSAR: The All-India Sikh Youth League has addressed a letter to Mr. Harbans Singh, Working President of the All-India Hindi Students' Federation suggesting the formation of a joint Hindu-Sikh front of the Youths with a view to opposing the Azad Punjab scheme. Mr. Harbans Singh in his reply has expressed his willingness to co-operate.—A. P.

Three wagon-loads of Gur have been seized by the police when they were exported from Lucknow in contravention of the Government's ban on the export of Gur; three Gur traders have been arrested in this connection, and inquiries are proceeding.

Red Cross Day Meeting

Tatter-Sol Pays Rs. 409–In Indian Red Cross Cup

TREBLES FOR GWALIOR AND BARODA

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Red Cross Day meeting which was decided today at Mahaluxmi was in favour of punters as several well fancied candidates scored.

The Maharaja of Gwalior and the Gaekwar of Baroda were again in the lime light with trebles to their credit.

The chief event, the Indian Red Cross Cup was won by Mr. M. D. Petit's Tatter-Sol, who despite having repeated on his last success, paid Rs. 409 for win. Nimrod, the rage in the race made a tardy beginning and though hard tried by Roberts, could not finish close to the horses on the board.

The following are the results:—

THE V. A. D PLATE—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong.
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's RIN-TIN-TIN 9-0 P Khade 1
H H the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's GUIDING STAR 8-9 Russi Mullan 2
H H the Prince of Berar's MANSUR HAMID 8-5 Raut 3
Mr Ahmed Abbas' HINDUSTAN 8-9 B Khalil 4
Not run: Iraq Marshal, Johnnie Walker, Mamluk and Maher.
Won by: Neck, 3 lengths, 3 lengths.
Time: 2 minutes 9 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 74. Places Rs. 33. Rs. 77 and Rs. 15.
Trainer: Capt. K P Jadhav

THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE PLATE. Division III.—Distance 7 furlongs.
H H the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's BLENHEIM 8-7 Britt 1
Mr J I Shohet's BARQ AL ILLAH 8-11 Brace 2
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's VANMALA 8-7 Roberts 3
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's HIND KESARI 9-0 Cook 4
Not run: Arab Shah.
Won by: 3/4 length, 1 length, 1/2 length.
Time: 1 minute 37 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 40. Places Rs. 19. Rs. 17 and Rs. 22.
Trainer: M C Patel.

THE NURSE CAVELL PLATE. Division II.—Distance 5 furlongs.
Mr Osman Chotani's PRINCE HAMID 8-7 Raffaele 1
H H the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's SWEET THOUGHT 8-4 Marrable 2
Mr Diamond's STARAYA RUSSA 8-7 Stead 3
H H the Maharaja of Idar's BAMBINA 8-4 Brace 4
All ran.
Won by 1 length, neck, head.
Time: 1 minute 4 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 64. Places Rs. 22. Rs. 40 and Rs. 21.
Trainer: H Chotani.

THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE PLATE. Division II.—Distance 7 furlongs.
H H the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's ZAHIR 8-3 Britt 1
Mr G A Jasdanwalla's METRO 8-4 H Southey 2
Mr Abdulla Talib's KING HILAL 8-5 Kheem Singh 3
Mr Sion F Nessim's NIBRAS 8-7 Brace ... 4
Not run: Lila and Lu'ayb.
Won by: 1/2 length, neck, 1 length.
Time: 1 minute 36 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 106. Places Rs 30. Rs. 27 and Rs. 44.
Trainer: M C Patel

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLATE Division II.—Distance 1 mile.
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's ALIJAH 8-4 Ramchandra 1
Capt. Thomas W Clarke's PLAIN GEORGE 9-0 N Singh 2

Mr J L Panjabi's GOLD GAINER 8-0 H Mahomed 3
Mr A S Tyebjee's AMERICAN BEAUTY 8-2 Uttam Singh 4
All ran.
Won by: 8 lengths, short head, short head
Time: 1 minute 40 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 40. Places Rs. 20, Rs. 24 and Rs. 38
Trainer: Capt. K P Jadhav.

THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE PLATE. Division I.—Distance 7 furlongs.
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's BARIZ 7-12 Stead 1
Mr N E D Pandole's GREAT STAR 7-12 Southey 2
Mr Osman Chotani's PUKAR 9-4 Raffaele 3
The Raja of Akalkot and Shrimant Jaysinhrao P Ghatge's ROYAL RIVAL 9-1 W Sibbritt 4
All ran.
Won by, Head, 1 1/2 lengths, 1 length.
Time: 1 minute 35 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 33. Places Rs. 39, Rs. 35 and Rs. 18.
Trainer: Capt. K P Jadhav.

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLATE Division I.—Distance 1 mile.
Mrs. H Marginson and Mrs. J E Malone's FAIRPATH 8-7 Evans 1
Mr E H Sayres' GAY SONGSTER 8-0 Stead 2
H H the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's FAIZ 8-0 Ramchandra 3
Mr J Thompson's DYNAMO 8-9 Rook ... 4
Not run: Lidsdown, Menu Suffrage, Indication and Churchill.
Won by: Head, 3 lengths, 3/4 length.
Time: 1 minute 41 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 26. Places Rs. 14, Rs. 28 and Rs. 55.
Trainer: F Malone.

THE INDIAN RED CROSS CUP.—Distance 1 1/4 miles.
Mr M D Petit's TATTER-SOL 9-7 W Evans 1
Mrs. Susan Sopher's WINGED TIGER 8-2 Adley 2
Messrs. E D Pandole, G. A. Jasdanwalla and Moosa M Hoosein's MISTY ISLAND 8-2 Southey 3
Mr V M A Rahiman's COBALT 8-8 Marrs 4
Not run: Omar Khayyam, Draycott and Time Flies.
Won by: 1 1/2 lengths, 1/2 length, 1 length
Time: 2 minutes 7 3/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 409. Places Rs. 98, Rs. 183 and Rs. 40.
Trainer: W Buckley.

THE NURSE CAVELL PLATE. Division I—Distance 5 furlongs.
H H the Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's WILLOW HERB 8-7 E Britt 1
H H Maharani Chimnabai Gaekwar of Baroda and H H the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's SILVER MEMORY 8-7 Rook 2
H H the Maharaja of Idar's DOLLAR Princess 8-4 Brace 3
H H the Maharaja of Kashmir's MAGIC MAID 8-4 Morley 4
Not run: Musketeer, Greta Garbo and Passing Bell.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 40. Places Rs. 24, Rs. 24 and Rs. 32.
Trainer: M C Patel.

Draw Again In B. P. Hockey

The replayed Final of the Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship between the Lusitanians and the "Times of India" again resulted in a draw on Thursday, each side scoring once on this occasion.

The Lusitanians were the first to score when F. Fernandes, their centre forward eluded several defenders before netting with a great shot ten minutes after the start but ten minutes later, A. Fernandes, the "Times" inside-right, equalised with a capital shot. Both sides attacked in turns but could not force a decision. The replay will take place on Sunday.

KEEP OUT POLITICS AND HOLD SESSION

Madras Govt.'s Reply To East Godavari Ban On Andhra Mahasabha

RAJAHMUNDRY, March 3

It is learnt that in reply to the letter of Rao Bahadur A. Rama Rao, chairman of the Reception Committee of the Andhra Mahasabha, the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras has written a letter intimating him that the Government had carefully considered the matter regarding permission to hold the Andhra Mahasabha session at Rajahmundry and had decided not to interfere with the orders of the District Magistrate of East Godavari unless the President of the Mahasabha session "agreed to restrict the agenda to the question of the Andhra Province and guaranteed that political discussion would be avoided at the conference."—A. P.

TWO SCHEMES OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

NEW DELHI, March 4

Two schemes calculated to help in rationalising and co-ordinating technical education in India have been prepared by the Association of Principals of Technical Institutions (India) for submission to Central, Provincial and Indian State Governments.

One of these provides for the institution of All-India certificates and diplomas in technical and commercial subjects, art architecture and other allied subjects. The second scheme is a programme of work for a Standing Consultative Committee, representative of Governments, employers, employees, educationists and examining bodies, to decide matters of policy affecting technical education throughout India.—A.P.

FOUR TAXES ENHANCED IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Mar. 3.

At the afternoon session of the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day the Chief Minister, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, (who is also Minister-in-charge of Finance) moved that the Bengal Finance Bill, 1943, be taken into consideration. The debate on the motion had not concluded when the house adjourned till March 5.

The bill nearly doubles the present rates of Amusement Tax on cinema-goers and the Electricity Duty and raises the Betting and Totalisator taxes from 4 per cent to 10 per cent. The total estimated yield from the proposed extra taxation is Rs. 53,00,000. It is expected that the enhanced Cinema Tax would yield an extra of Rs. 6,00,000, the Totalisator Tax Rs. 12,00,000 and the Betting Tax Rs. 3,00,000. As regards the electricity duty the proposed enhancement was not likely to yield more than Rs. 12,00,000.

The proposed enhanced taxation would be emergency taxation for two years only at the first instance.—A. P.

WORLD REFUGEE PROBLEM

WASHINGTON: It is announced that the British Government has proposed to the State Department that the religious, racial and political refugee problem should be handled on an international basis instead of by private charity or by individual governments.

Punjab Assembly's Tribute To Late Sikandar

LAHORE, March 4.

The Punjab Assembly, which opened its budget session to-day, was adjourned without transacting any business as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan. Tributes were paid by all sections of the House to his personal qualities and services to the country and a condolence resolution, moved by the Hon. Malik Khizar Hyat Khan Tiwana, leader of the House, was adopted all standing.

The Speaker, Sir Shahabuddin, asked the House to pray for the deceased's salvation and pass standing the resolution, expressing condolence and sympathy with the members of the bereaved family.—A.P

Indian Chambers' Federation

CALCUTTA, March 4

A number of resolutions dealing with the present political situation in India, India's participation in the international conference, allocation of defence expenditure, utilisation of sterling balances, post-war reconstruction, lease lend supplies, safeguards for British commercial interest in India supply of foodstuffs, position of Indians in Burma and others are likely to come up for discussion before the sixteenth annual session of the Federation of India Chambers of Commerce, to be held at New Delhi on March 27 and 28.

Movers of the various resolutions include Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Sir Badridas Goenka, Sir Sri Ram and Messrs. G. D. Birla and M. A. Ispahani.—A.P.

Bombay Govt. Gazette

Mr. H. N. Trivedi, B.M.S.—Class II, on general duty at the J. J. Hospital, Bombay, is appointed to officiate as Medical Officer of the Arthur Road Prison and His Majesty's House of Correction, Bombay, in addition to his own duties, vice Mr. D. F. Patel on leave from the 26th November 1942 to the 6th February 1943.

Mr. Y. R. Parpia, I.C.S., Import Trade Controller, Bombay, has been appointed as Deputy Chief Controller of Imports, New Delhi, under the Commerce Department, with effect from the forenoon of 21st January 1943 and until further orders vice Mr. P. C. Chaudhuri, I.C.S., transferred to Bombay.

On relief of his duties as Medical Officer in charge Nucleus Hospital, Thana, Mr. B. R. Patel, B.M.S.—Class II, has been posted on general duty at Northcote Police Hospital, Bombay, with effect from the forenoon of 15th February, 1943.

Bombay Cotton Control Act

The Bombay Cotton Control Act 1942 is published in the 'Bombay Government Gazette.'

This act among other things, prohibits the mixing of the standard variety with inferior varieties. The present act supplies the need for legislation to prevent adulteration.

In the best interests of the growers of cotton in certain areas of the province, says the Gazette notification, it is expedient that the reputation and quality of the cotton grown must be maintained.

Princes' Response To Red Cross Appeal

NEW DELHI, March 4

In response to H. E. the Marchioness of Linlithgow's appeal on the occasion of Red Cross Week donations amounting to Rs. 4,69,200 have been received from the ruling princes, the Nizam topping the list with Rs. 3,00,000. Contributions totalling Rs. 2,41,750 have been promised.—A.P.

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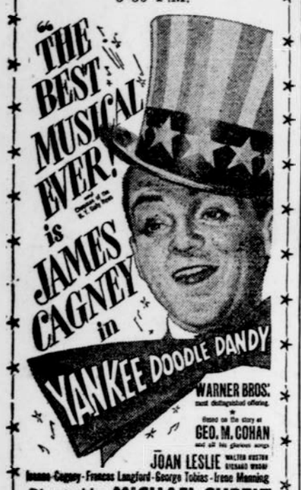
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Hightide: 11-08, 23-50. Lowtide: 5-18, 17-14

AMUSEMENTS

EXCELSIOR—"My Favourite Blonde" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"In Which We Serve" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EROS—"Springtime in the Rockies" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
METRO—"Yankee Doodle Dandy" 3-15, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Tamanna" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
PARADISE—"Ball of Fire" 4-30, 6-45 and 10
LAMINGTON—"Kaljug" 4-45, 7-15 and 10
REGAL—"Wake Island" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Within the Law" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
STRAND—"Panama Hattie" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Rai Saheb" 4-30, 7-15 and 10
HINDMATA—"Beti" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-45
KOHINOOR—"A Day in Soviet Russia" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sharda" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Little Foxes" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Khan Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30
EDWARD—"Achhoot Kanya" 4, 6-30 and 10
AURORA—"They Died with their Boots on" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
ROXY—"Kismet" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Lalaji" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Prarthana" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Surdas" 5, 7-30 and 10
NOVELTY—"Yad" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
APOLLO—"Station Master" 4-30, 7 and 10

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

LAW COLLEGE EX-STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION: Meeting of the general body, at College Building, Churchgate, 6 p.m.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT (GIRGAUM): The National War Front propaganda van has been arranged at the Robert Money School, Proctor Road at 8 p.m., and all are invited to attend.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Man's Astral Body" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain, 6-15 p.m.

ARYAN RELIGION IN IRAN: Mr. Manilal C. Parekh on "Aryan Religion in Iran" at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall, Industrial Assurance Building, opposite Churchgate Station. Mr. Sohrab J. Bulsara will preside.

CALCUTTA NATIONAL BANK: Opening of the Kalbadevi Branch, at 188 Kalbadevi Road (opposite Cotton Exchange).

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE THANKSGIVING: A thanksgiving meeting was held on Thursday, in the Students' Common Room. A large number of students and Honorary members of the staff of Sir J. J. Hospital attended. Prayers were offered in different languages. It has been decided to distribute sweets and fruits to all the patients of Sir J. J. Group of Hospitals on Sunday "The Thanksgiving Day."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS: The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley attended the races and Lady Lumley presented the Indian Red Cross Cup.

Non-accident Bonus Award

The Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co. Ltd., writes:—

As a major road transportation organisation, this company instituted a year ago a 'non-accident bonus scheme' amongst its drivers of buses and trams whereby any of them not involved in any accident during the year is entitled to a distinguishing badge and a cash reward.

The first award under the scheme will take place in the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, to-day at 6 p.m., presided over by Mr. Oscar H. Brown, the Chief Presidency Magistrate.

DEATH OF MEHER BABA'S MOTHER

A correspondent writes from Meherabad (Ahmednagar):—

The death took place of Shri Meher Baba's mother Shririnmae aged 68 at Poona, on February 25th, the date of Shri Meher Baba's birth according to Christian calendar.

Her husband Sheheriarji Irani was a great Sufi ascetic ("derwish") and had spent 18 years of his life in complete renunciation and meditation, roaming in jungles and visiting places of pilgrimage in Persia and India. After 18 years of wandering in both these countries, Sheheriarji was told by the Guiding Spirit who always protected him from the gravest dangers to his life and also helped him onwards on his march towards spirituality, that what he desired in this life was not destined for him but for his progeny. Sheheriarji was also advised to revert to worldly life again. Disappointed though he felt, Sheheriarji has to submit to what was ordained! His marriage with Shririnmae was arranged under very strange and surprising circumstances. Meher Baba

ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLES TAX REMINDER

Motorists are reminded that payment of tax on their cars falls due on the 1st of April 1943. The last date for payment of the Tax (that is, the date to which the period of grace extends) is 15th April 1943, in accordance with the Bombay Motor Vehicles Tax Rules of 1940. Those who make payments after that date are liable to a monetary penalty, so states a Press Note of the Western India Automobile Association.

Members of the W.I.A.A. who wish to take advantage of the facilities offered by the Association are requested to forward their remittances to the W.I.A.A. Office along with their Registration Certificates and "AT" forms duly completed. The "AT" forms can be had from the W.I.A.A.

ADDRESS PRESENTED TO REV. LOBO

BASSEIN, Mar. 2

Under the auspices of B.C.W. League an address was presented to Rev. Francis Lobo by his admirers and friends when Rev. M. Balagner presided.

An appeal was made in the address to Mr Lobo 'to uplift the humble lay folk of Bassein.'

Messrs. Dias, Noronha, Fernandis, and Rev. Fathers Lima, Balagnar, and Lobo addressed the gathering.

is their second son

Special Show Of "Tamanna"

A delightful film and stage entertainment has been arranged for Saturday night for the benefit of the residents of Bombay North and the Red Cross Week Fund. With the co-operation of the Broadway Cinema, Dadar, the A. R. P. Committee of Dadar East have organised a special performance of "Tamanna"—featuring Lila Desai, Jairaj, K. C. Dey, etc.,—plus personal appearances and stage performance by top-liners such as Prithviraj and Pahari Sanyal. Prithviraj will give recitations and enact a scene from "The Merchant of Venice". It will definitely be a night for all lovers of both stage and screen. Mr. M. R. A. Baig will speak on behalf of the Red Cross, making a special appeal its whole-hearted support and the residents of Bombay North are requested to support the evening generously. Tickets can be had from Mr. B. W. Peel or Mr. Balkrishna at the B.E.S.T. Workshops, Dadar, and from the A.R.P. Headquarters, Dadar.

A New Club For Indian Ratings

To-day Friday His Excellency the Governor of Bombay will lay the foundation stone of the Cornwallis Fleet Club.

The primary reason for the erection of this Club will be to provide recreation for Royal Indian Navy ratings when ashore.

RED CROSS BOXING.

The Red Cross Boxing match will come off to-day (Friday) between Gunboat Jack and Frank Malinad.

FOUNDER GETS OUT OF IT

A. S. Khan Dissociates Himself From A.-I. States Muslim League

Mr. A. S. Khan Rajasthani Founder and ex-Secretary, All-India States' Muslim League, has issued the following statement regarding his resignation:—

I herewith annouce with regret my complete dissociation from the organisation of the All-India States' Muslim League owing to my serious differences and discords with Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung Bahadur of Hyderabad, President of the All India States' Muslim League.

I do not wish to discuss in public the reasons that have led to this decision, but it is definite that after Nawab Bahadur's talk at Bhopal and Jaipur, my concern in any capacity in the said organisation has become a huge impossibility.

In this connexion, I will however like to clarify two points:—

(1) Firstly, that I shall continue to preach maximum support for the cause of the United Nations and Great Britain regardless of any party politics and their bans which I have found to be absolutely frivolous and fruitless rather dangerous and detrimental to the progress of our country.

(2) Secondly, that I shall continue to preach the theory of an elastic and flexible centre in the country and with it my devotion for the newly evolved body namely, the Princes' People's Party of India, which stands for the establishment of a Confederation of India consisting of Northern India Federation, Southern India Federation and Indian India Federation as geographically, racially and culturally homogeneous homelands of equal power and prosperity upon the basis of Separate Treaties of Independence and Guardianship of India with the British Commonwealth of Nations, the nucleus of the future World Order: upon the basis of complete autonomy at home and statutory equality at the centre for every federal unit of administration, unilateral or bilateral; and upon the basis of a Confederal Cabinet representative of and responsible to every Federal Cabinet and not a Confederal Cabinet for the whole of India which could never be congenial to and cognizable by the natural and national genius of the different elements and interests in the country."

NEED OF ELASTIC CENTRE

After this clarification, I do not know how the party politicians who have their views both with regard to the present war and the future centre in the country, will react to this statement of mine. But in this respect one thing is certain that 25 million Muslims rather the 100 million peoples of Indian India can find no solution of their destinies in the absence of a centre in such a vast sub-continent which is inhabited by 400 million human souls having so many religions, races, cultures and civilisations. Without an elastic and flexible centre we are bound to be thrown in a burning cauldron of eternal hatred, anarchy, intransigence and aggression. God save us from that peril.

The U.S.S.R. Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries in Moscow is now having exchange of books and other publications with the University of Calcutta. The Society has forwarded to the University a collection of articles and essays on the great Russian poet A. S. Pushkin. Calcutta University, in its turn, has taken the Society on its free mailing list to receive the Journal of the Department of Science and Technology.

EXCHANGE BANK OF INDIA AND AFRICA

Sir Rustom Masani performed the opening ceremony of the Exchange Bank of India and Africa Ltd., on Thursday evening at Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road when Sir Jehangir B. Bomanbehram presided.

In the course of his speech Sir Rustom said that many a joint stock concern springs up in the boom period in business created by wars: Not a few of them come to grief as the need for them disappears soon after the cessation of activities incidental to armed conflicts. But a banking institution stands on a different footing. "Backward as we are in credit institutions and banking fecilities and backward as we consequently are in the development of agriculture and industries, the establishment of a new banking institution under the direction of capable and trusted businessmen may be regarded as a distinct step forward along the path of economic progress".

Continuing he said the drawing of bills in rupee in first-class houses has not yet been developed in India so that the present market in the Hundi or rupee bill is very restricted.

He then declared the Bank open.

To Headquarters For Interrogation

CALCUTTA, March 4.

In connection with the stabbing incident which occurred on February 28, in which the victim was a Sub-Inspector of the Intelligence Branch, two places in the city were searched by the Special Branch Police who took two persons to headquarters for interrogation. One of these persons was sent to jail for detention under the Defence of India Rules and the other was let off subsequently.—A. P.

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ALTERNATIVE TO PAKISTAN

The adoption by the Sind Assembly of a resolution in support of Pakistan is significant mainly as indicating which way the wind blows for the time being. It cannot be regarded as a proof of the merits of the resolution but it shows that the support to the new cult is growing at present and is not negligible. The resolution bases the demand for Pakistan on the assumption that the Muslims of India are "a separate nation possessing a religion philosophy, social customs, literature, traditions, political and economic theories of their own, quite different from those of the Hindus". But the assumption cannot bear any dispassionate examination either in the light of history or the facts of today Apart from religion, which by itself cannot determine a people's nationality, and, to some extent the caste system, other differences between Hindus and Muslims are not more pronounced than those among the Hindus themselves. This fact is so obvious that till the other day the Indian Muslims were regarded by all concerned as only a minority community entitled to special safeguards. And the Muslim League itself, which has now pinned its faith to the two-nation theory, has never published any satisfactory elaboration of it or any outline of administration under Pakistan.

A Ten Year Experiment

On the other hand, many of those who have dispassionately examined the implications of Pakistan have found it fraught with all sorts of difficulties. 'Among these may be mentioned Sir Ardeshir Dalal, who, has published an instructive pamphlet entitled "An Alternative To Pakistan". He deals with the subject in a thoroughly disinterested, dispassionate manner with full sympathy for the difficulties of the Muslims. On the one hand he holds that "they cannot claim to constitute themselves as a separate nation solely on the ground of professing a separate faith", that "such a claim, if advanced by all other peoples in the world would lead to political disruption and chaos", and that the consequences of Pakistan may be "more disastrous to Muslims themselves than to others". Sir Ardeshir develops this last point in a very impressive manner out on the whole he says: "I for one would be prepared to concede the right of secession to Muslims in homogeneous areas in which they predominate numerically if they find they cannot live with the other communities in India consistently with their traditions, self-respect and interests under any form of political constitution that can be devised' The proviso should be carefully noted as it makes a non-Pakistan constitution a necessary prelude to the exercise of the right of secession or self-determination. "Such a constitution", he says, "may be tried for a period of ten years at least and if, at the end of the time, the Muslim minority is not satisfied with the working of it, it might be left free to secede. Ten years is surely not too long a period in the life of a nation if the alternative to it is partition and disruption with all the tragic consequences which such a step might involve"

League's Opportunity

Having thus commended an alternative to Pakistan as an experiment for at least ten years, the author gives his own ideas about such a constitution. Its details need not be considered at this stage but its main features deserve to be noted. The author suggests a federal constitution with only the essential minimum of subjects being left to the centre and all other subjects and all residuary powers to the federating units. It may be noted here that this is precisely what the Congress has suggested. As regards the proposition of the Muslims in the Central legislature and the executive, Sir Ardeshir suggests as follows: The number of seats allocated to Muslims in the Central legislature shall be 33 1/3 per cent. of the total number of seats but the total number of seats assigned to all the minority communities as distinguished from those assigned to women or special interests such as labour, landholders, commerce etc., shall not exceed 50 per cent. of the total number of seats. A similar provision is suggested for the central executive also. The following further safeguards are also suggested: "The Government shall be responsible to the legislature which may vote a resolution of lack of confidence. Such a resolution shall not be carried save by an absolute majority of the votes of the members of the legislature at a meeting at which not less than two-thirds of the members shall be present. No bill or resolution or any part thereof shall be passed in any legislature if it is opposed by three-fourths of the members of any community in that particular body on the ground that it will seriously damage the religious and cultural interests of that community or is against the personal laws by which they have hitherto been governed. No community shall possess this right unless the number of its members on that legislature is at least fifteen per cent. of the total". We shall not pursue the details further. Those interested in the subject should make a serious study of the pamphlet, which cannot fail to be helpful in the solution of the communal problem. As regards any feasible alternative to Pakistan, the Congress can be trusted to be generous to the Muslims, as to all other minorities. The Congress has also substantially conceded the right of self-determination and is willing to consider the details of a settlement if the League is prepared to open negotiations. It is the duty of the League to seize this opportunity, particularly at a time when Gandhiji's fast has intensified the desire of the public for a united struggle for freedom.

A Great Victory

Fighting desperately Hitler appears to have succeeded in holding the Russian advance in the Donetz region and, indeed, may have, as he claims, driven the Russians some distance back. But these successes can scarcely constitute a balm for his wounded soul in view particularly of the heavy blows that he is now sustaining in the northern half of the front. Appearing at the head of the northern Russian armies, Marshal Timoshenko has been striking brilliantly at the Germans on a long front. He first blasted them out of their Demyansk "fortress" south of Lake Ilman which the Russians had failed to capture last winter and is now driving towards Staraya Russa. This success opens the railway between Leningrad and Moscow, by no means an unimportant event.

But even more noteworthy is the victory Timoshenko has just won further to the south. Only a few months ago the Russians attacked for the third time in the war, Rjev, the big German "hedgehog" position 110 miles north-west of Moscow. They succeeded to the extent of entering the suburbs, but there they were checked as the Germans were held at Stalingrad. The analogy, however, ends there. At Stalingrad it was the defenders who drove the attackers back, at Rjev it is the German defenders who have been driven out and with heavy losses, too. This victory is very important one not only because of the capture of a key stronghold but also because of its strategic possibilities. It is obvious that the Germans are falling back because they cannot hold the present line. But it would be a mistake to deduce from this that Herr Hitler is finished.

Twenty Get Life Sentence

Armal Rioting Case Judgment

(THROUGH A. P. & U. P.)

GAYA, March 3.

Twenty accused have been sentenced to transportation for life in the Armal rioting case.

Seven others have been awarded other terms of imprisonment and 13 acquitted.

CHARGE OF RIOTING

The accused were charged under Sec. 147 I. P. C. read with Sec. 7 of the Penalties (Enhancement) Ordinance, on the allegation that on the 16th. August last at Armal police station they formed an unlawful assembly with the object of looting the Thana and causing mischief by fire and with this object they committed rioting.

There were also alternative charges against some.

"IRON HAND NIPS TROUBLE IN BUD"

BHIMAVARAM: "If such acts are not nipped in the bud with an iron hand now, there will be a recrudescence of trouble and it will spread like wild fire. These ladies deserve a deterrent punishment. They are able-bodied and can do such labour as entrusted to them. If they are made to sit without work, their idle brains will be a devil's workshop."

With these remarks the Sub-Divisional Magistrate sentenced Shrimati G. Venkamma and Shrimati V. Subhadra, who came into the local Court on February 24 last and asked the Sub-Divisional Magistrate to resign to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

MADURA: The residence of Mr. P. M. Ramakonar, Secretary of the Madura District Congress Committee, was searched by the local police. Nothing incriminating is reported to have been found.

CANNANORE: Mr. Unnikrishnan, a Congressman, has been arrested under the Defence of India Rules. The Kasaragod police searched the house of Mr. Kunhikannan, a Congressman of Naeleswaram.

STONES THROWN AT POLICE

AHMEDABAD: Stones were thrown at the police at four places but none was injured.

ORDER ON SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS

TINNEVELLY: The Collector of Tinnevelly has passed an order under D. I. R. that proprietors of all shops doing business in essential commodities and all restaurants shall keep open their shops and restaurants and conduct business in the manner in which they have been doing hitherto for a period of six months. Any person contravening this order is liable to imprisonment upto three years or fine or both.

Frankly Speaking

A Jap Disaster

The defeat of the Japanese convoy, which had been heading for New Guinea, was fully expected. What was not expected was the magnitude and completeness of that defeat. It is truly a major disaster comparable to what they suffered in the Battle of the Coral Sea. Twenty-two vessels, 10 of them warships and twelve transports, were all sunk or left sinking. Apart from the equipment the convoy carried, the Japanese also lost as many as 15,000 men. This battle of the Bismarck Sea is a triumph of Allied air strength, which, by the way, accounted for 55 Jap planes, too. And it confirms the view that nothing but reverses and disasters face the Japs in the South-West Pacific whether their future plans are offensive or defensive

Tunisian Situation

The British First Army has practically checked the Axis advance in the northern sector of the Tunisian battle front. But it has not met with the success which attended the recent fighting in the central sector where the Axis forces were not only stopped but also driven back. In fact they are still retreating and one report goes so far as to suggest the contacting of American patrols with those of the Eighth Army. After over-enthusiastic reports of a few days ago, signs seem to be developing of a major clash in the very near future. In this clash the hard task facing General Montgomery may well be lightened by the advancing American columns. And if Rommel is ejected from the Mareth defences, the battle of Tunisia will be more than half won

Reciprocity Bill

The Central Legislative Assembly has acted justly in passing the Reciprocity Bill providing that "persons domiciled in any British possession shall be entitled only to such rights and privileges as regards entry, travel, residence, acquisition, holding and disposal of property, educational facilities, franchise, the holding of public office, or the carrying on of any occupation, business, trade or profession in British India as are accorded by the law or administration of such possession to persons of Indian origin." The Bill only lays down the principle of equality and vindicates India's self-respect. If it has any retaliatory character, it will come in only as a defensive measure. Its principle has been appreciated and accepted even by Government. It is, of course, understood that in the course of any negotiations the Bill will have to be implemented with the greatest tact. But the existence of a reciprocity law has a wholesome effect on those who may otherwise think they can do any injustice to Indians with impunity

Too Drastic

Two branches of the All-India Spinners Association at Calcutta have just been declared unlawful under the Indian Criminal Law Amendment Act 1908. If any persons connected with these institutions had done or attempted to do anything unlawful, they could have been dealt with as individuals. It is unjust to declare the whole institution as unlawful. A body like the Spinners' Association, engaged in constructive work giving economic relief to a large number of poor people, ought not to be light-heartedly suppressed, even temporarily. Its work being dislocated, it may take a very long time in resuming its activities.

Atlantic Charter And India

By K. T. SHAH

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It is not intended, of course, by requiring the postulate of every community's right to develop its own resources to their maximum capacity, that such local development should operate so as to render impossible world trade, or facilitate economic aggression on any less well-gifted or less developed community by another more so. That was the unmitigated bane of the pre-war European economy. Every care must be taken to prevent a resurrection of its ghost in the post-war world. India will, of course, be ready to give any reasonable guarantees in this behalf.

Nor need it be insisted that the results of such development should be reserved exclusively for the benefit of the community developing even when such fruits are far in excess of the needs of the developing community. The first claim of the community developing these resources must, of course be recognised, making full allowance for its continuing development. But when all the reasonable needs of the community have been met, the surplus, if any, should be made available to any other community needing any part of such surplus produce, on reasonable terms collectively negotiated and agreed upon.

Ideal Of National Planning Committee

So far as this country is concerned, the National Planning Committee has already accepted the view, put forward by the Chairman, that the aim of our national plan is to make the country self-sufficient. But that aim is not to be achieved so that OUR national self-sufficiency should enable Indian produce to be dumped on foreign markets. The Planning Committee accepts the view that no people should be entitled, by its superior development, in any way to jeopardise the equal rights of any other community to bring about the latter's development of its own resources, with its own labour and by its own capital. No country must, in the post-war world, be suffered to pursue, even on the collective national plane, a policy of selfish aggrandisement, which, on the individual plane, is the root of all those jealousies and rivalries that lead to class cleavage and international conflicts. Herein will be found ample assurance for sane and abundant world trade after the war.

Local Backwardness Reduces World Wealth

So long as any people have not had the opportunity to develop their local resources to their utmost capacity, the aggregate wealth of the world will not be increased to the extent it can be. And if the aggregate wealth of the world does not increase, as human science, ingenuity and organisation can make it, the distribution of the available wealth will be inadequate, however just and reasonable the basis for that distribution may be adopted. With distribution thus suffering, the standard of living of the people will also suffer. The improvement in the average standard of living among all the inhabitants of the world must be among the fundamental aims of post-war reconstruction; and every step to achieve it must be tested by this one rule: Will it, or will it not, improve the all round standard of living, all over the world?

World Collaboration

The remaining clauses of the Charter enunciates principles which, in the absence of any indication of a definite machinery to give effect to them, sound very much like platitudes. Thus, for example, in Article V, "they desire to bring about the fullest collaboration between all nations in the economic field with the object of securing for all improved standards, economic advancement and social security." But this "collaboration" has yet to be organised, particularly because there are to-day conflicting interests in the "economic field."

More Even Distribution Of World's Wealth

If this collaboration is to be a reality, and not a platitude, the wealth of the world will have to be more evenly shared than European nations, and even America, have hitherto done. Mere pious wishes of this kind will not serve the purpose. Besides, such collaboration needs to be organised into a working machinery equal to deal with all the corners and obstacles inherent in the situation. "Collaboration" between nations, as a condition precedent to improved labour standards, is feasible as it is unquestionable in principle. But if any real improvement in standards of living is to be an accomplished fact, if social security is to be enjoyed by all, it is imperative that the political and economic emancipation be first assured to each and all The control of one country over another for the latter's exploitation must be ended; and the difference between surplus and deficit lands abolished.

Abiding World Peace And Security

As a specimen of this guarantee, they lay down, in Article VI, the the hope of a world peace, which will afford to all nations the means of living in safety in their own territories. Mere security from aggression, however, would still leave backward nations no great hope of economic advancement, unless the collaboration premised in Article V becomes a reality. Adequate measures must also be taken to see that this peace is not only achieved, but also maintained. The insurgent or reactionary ambitions of any nation, such as those which broke through the League of Nations, must have no chance left to them to reassert themselves, and endanger world peace, simply for lack of any machinery effectively to restrain them. A world state must, therefore, be established, to which all local sovereignty should be surrendered.

Freedom From Fear And Want

The last clause of this article, assuring to all men in all lands a life of freedom from fear and want, depends for its realisation upon (i) sufficient economic advancement in their own region, (ii) abolition of privileged classes —the proprietors—now taking up for themselves all surplus value created by labour; and (iii) possibility of sharing by collaboration corresponding development of other regions, especially where one's own country is either deficient or backward.

(To Be Continued)

*Previous articles appeared on Feb. 27 and March 1, 2, and 3.

NEW BUDGET PROPOSALS HIT MASSES

Public Utility Services Should Not Be Used As Source Of Revenue To Govt.: Indian Merchants' Chamber's Protest

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have sent a telegram to the Secretary to the Government of India, Finance Department, New Delhi, containing their views on the Budget of the Government of India for the year 1943/44:—

They consider the Military expenditure of Rs. 139.75 crores for 1942/43 and 182.81 crores for 1943/44, over and above a capital outlay of 49 and 17 crores respectively as too big a burden for India to bear her basic Defence expenditure being Rs. 36.77 crores.

OPEN TO GRAVE OBJECTIONS

The observations made by the Finance Member in connection with the Indo-British financial settlement touching the allocation of the expenses of the Defence services have caused the Committee the greatest anxiety. Even in 1939 when the principles of this settlement were announced, the Committee had taken very strong exception to them. The manner in which these principles have now been interpreted by the Finance Member is open to very grave objections. More than three years have passed since the acceptance of these principles by the Government of India, and looking to the tempo of the war and the colossal expenditure which a modern war involves the terms should, in the interests of India, be modified in this wise, that two such powerful and strong Allied nations like Great Britain and U. S. A. should take upon themselves the burden of financing the war operations in this country. India is required to pay the expenditure on her forces till they actually leave her shores or her frontiers.

It is a matter of grave concern that the Military expenditure on India's defence services has been increased nearly five times over the pre-war figure This is particularly so because India has neither any voice in the organisation of her defence services, nor has she got any control over the use and direction of the same. This is a strong justification for demanding that the military expenditure should be kept at present within proper limits. A ceiling should therefore be put to India's defence expenditure and the figure should be fixed at Rs. 73.61 crores, the amount spent in 1940/41: and any increase over that limit should be borne by the United Nations.

Regarding provision for scrutiny of allocation by Audit authorities and by the Public Accounts Committee, as long as control of expenditure is not vested in a Ministry responsible to the legislature, such scrutiny can only be formal, and the same will not inspire confidence in the public.

Regarding Lease-Lend and reciprocal aid arrangements, the absence of complete details and a fuller picture, the public are at a great disadvantage in assessing the full implications thereof.

WHY RECONSTRUCTION FUND IN LONDON?

Committee are surprised at the suggestion put forward by the Finance Member to have a Reconstruction Fund in London for the purchase of machinery and other capital goods from producing countries putting thus into use the large Sterling accumulations at the end of the war. There are so many ways in which the Sterling accumulations can be utilised, and the Indian commercial community are considering at present what would be the best mehod for dealing with our huge sterling balances.

Committee urge that, before any scheme is taken up, representative commercial public will be taken into confidence. Under any circumstances, the Sterling balances should not be devoted to building up a Reconstruction Fund which may perhaps handicap India from acquiring the required materials from competitive world markets.

HITTING THE MASSES

Coming now to the operational part of the Budget, viz: taxation proposels, the increases in Postal rates and Telephone charges are open to serious objection on principle that public utility services, particularly relating to communication, are being used as a source of revenue to Government. The Excise duty on tobacco and Vanaspati, particularly the latter, will seriously affect the masses of the country and add to their troubles by further increasing their cost of living. It must be remembered that Ghee has been carried away to a very large extent to foreign countries and for use of the Forces, and people had naturally to fall back upon oils, like Vanaspati. If now there is a proposal to tax Vanaspati, it will be a serious burden upon the people.

Committee should like to point out that in other countries, where tobacco is taxed there are so many other articles of luxury which the people can use, while with people here, economically so poor and miserable, tobacco, in its cheaper and cruder forms, is the only article of luxury, if it can be so called. The Rs. 10 crores sought to be realised from this head will mainly fall upon the masses, who take tobacco in different forms.

Committee, therefore, consider that the Excise duty on tobacco should not be levied. The increase in surcharges on Income-tax and super-tax and in the Corporation tax, which has now become a facile expedient, will have serious repercussions. The middle and the upper middle classes and those who have got fixed incomes will be badly affected.

During the post-war period, the country will be left with little money, after it has passed through the peak period of taxation, with the result that industrial expansion will, for all time, be badly affected.

A Sample

"Facts" writes:—

"On page 3 of the brochure "Congress Responsibility for the Disturbances, 1942-43" published by the Government of India occurs the following passage 'In Bombay on January 14th, 1943, the police searched a flat and found a revolver, time-bombs, stocks of high explosives and all the paraphernalia needed for lethal bombs. One of the persons arrested on the spot was a well-known leader of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee who was also the President of the All-India Spinners' Association.'

The President of the All-India Spinners' Association is Mahatma Gandhi. The acting President of the Association is Mr V. Jerajani, who has not been arrested Is, then, the description of the person arrested on January 14, 1943, as President of the All-India Spinners' Association a sample of the accuracy which characterizes the charges against Mahatma Gandhi and the Congress contained in this brochure?"

Aziz Re-elected For Ceylon Congress

COLOMBO, March 4.

Mr. A. Aziz has been re-elected President of the Ceylon Indian Congress.

ENDING PRESENT DEADLOCK

Informal Discussions In Bombay

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, who was in Bombay as guest of Dr. Jayakar for two days, left for Hyderabad (Deccan) on Thursday by the Madras Express by which train Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar also left for Madras. The presence of these two leaders in Bombay was taken advantage of by holding informal discussions on Thursday at Dr. Jayakra's residence regarding the present situation.

Those who participated in the discussions were Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Dr. Jayakar, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Mr. M. S. Aney, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Mr. K. M. Munshi, Mr S. A. Brelvi, Mr. G. D. Birla, Mr J. R. D. Tata Sir Ardeshir Dalal, Mr. A. V. Thakkar and Mr. Devdas Gandhi. It is understood these discussions will be resumed when Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar return to Bombay early next week. The object of these discussions, it is understood, is to devise some means of ending the present political deadlock

MORE ASHTI DISTURBANCE CONVICTIONS

WARDHA:—Two persons from Ashti, who were acquitted in the Ashti Police Murder Case, were sentenced to eighteen and twelve months respectively in the postal and school arson case by the special magistrate. Out of the seven accused in the Ashti English School arson case, two were acquitted while five were sentenced to varying terms from six months to eighteen months on three counts.

SURAT CONVICTIONS

SURAT:—Seven persons who were arrested on February 22, were sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment each on a charge of attempting to hold a meeting in contravention of the prohibitory orders.

WOMAN M.L.A. RELEASED

MEERUT: Mr. Prakashvati Suga M.L.A. who was arrested in August last, has been released on medical grounds. She was under detention in Meerut jail for nearly six and a half months.

RED SHIRTS ARRESTED

PESHAWAR:—A batch of Red Shirts again came to the sessions court and was arrested.

SUPERSESSION ENDS

MADRAS:—The Government have directed that the Dindigul Municipal Council, which was superseded in September last be reconstituted from 2nd March with a strength of 22 members who will hold office for one year.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

The convoys to Russia had cost two cruisers, ten destroyers, six smaller warships, many merchantmen and many valuable lives. "But the aid to Russia," he added, "clearly has paid a great dividend to the United Nations' cause."

—Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the British Admiralty.

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Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava has greeted the breaking of Gandhiji's fast by breaking his own silence. Says he: "To-day controversial politics is silenced by the universally welcome news that Mahatma Gandhi has survived his penance", (sic).

And, of course, Sir Jwala Prasad has survived the danger of resigning his membership of the Executive Council.

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We certainly congratulate Sir Jwala Prasad on the relief that he so justly feels.

But we cannot help drawing the serious attention of Sir Reginald Maxwell, the orator of the Central Assembly, and Sir Richard Tottenham, the author of a historic pamphlet, to the poetic exuberance of the Hon. Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava.

Here is a man, their own colleague, who gives practically the retort-discourteous to the case put forward—sorry, adjudged conclusively by them on his behalf, too!

What are they going to do about it?

* * *

Commenting on the termination of Gandhiji's fast, the 'New York Times' says: "He has made his moral demonstration. The British, too, have made their demonstration. The question that now arises is whether the time has now come to make a fresh start in India."

The question, indeed, arises all the more weightily because the American Press also has made its demonstration.

Eh? The 'American Press,' as you ought to know, is made up of (1) the 'New York Times' and (2) the 'New York Herald Tribune.'

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Downing Street announces that the Premier has received a message of "cordial congratulations" from M. Stalin on the R.A.F. raid on Berlin.

Personally, we are gratified that the full text of the message has not been published. It might have contained—er—a cordial hint or two about the "second front."

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"Last night R.A.F. bombers attacked objectives at Sagain an important rail and river communications centre...." India Command communique.

How very splendid! China has been saved.

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"I haven't seen you for two years. What have you been doing?"

"Two years."

Rathindranath Tagore On His Visit To Mahatma

POONA, March 3.

Mr. Rathindranath Tagore and his wife who were in Poona to see Mahatma Gandhi left for Bombay this afternoon 'en route' to Santiniketan. Mr. Tagore in a statement says:—

"This is the day of mixed feelings of hope and despair of relief and of joy as well as of sorrow. Gandhiji'st life has been spared. He has come out successful through the penance of the fast and we rejoice. And yet how can we dissociate this joy from a sense of futility when we consider that he remains behind prison bars. I am glad that my pilgrimage to Poona has not been in vain. I have obtained Mahatmaji's "Darshan" which in itself is a source of inspiration. I have also conveyed to him love and reverence on our own behalf and on behalf of our Ashram at Santiniketan. I am carrying back with me Gandhiji's blessings for us all and his best wishes for the success of the work we are doing in the Viswabharathi".—A. P.

"A Dadar Grievance"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—With reference to your letter under the caption "A Dadar Grievance" published in the issue of the "Bombay Chronicle" dated the 5th September 1942, I have to state by direction of the Municipal Commissioner that although house to house collection of refuse from the locality in question is not being done in the afternoons of Sundays and pay-days on account of the Ward staff being off duty, a refuse cart moves in the locality in the afternoons on these days, halting at every junction of the street and other suitable places to receive refuse from the buildings in the neighbourhood. This arrangement has been found working satisfactorily

As regards the suggestion to post a Nuisance Detector in the locality, it may be stated that the locality has already been under the surveillance of the Nuisance Detectors and since April 1942 to the end of January 1943 they have arrested 60 persons who were found throwing refuse in the streets. All the arrested persons were charged before the Magistrate with the result that 16 of them were fined, 31 were warned and the cases against the remaining 13 persons are pending.—Yours, etc.,

B. C. DAS GUPTA.
Executive Health Officer
Bombay Municipality.

Wanted National Thanksgiving Fund

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—God has heard the anguished prayer of a Nation and Bapu has been spared to us. I suggest, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and the leaders should organise a National Thanksgiving Fund, and the country must make such a response to it as to leave the world staggering.—Yours, etc.,

M. A. M.

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RATIONING IN CITY

Distribution Of Articles Through Shops, Stores And Societies

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Further details regarding rationing in the Bombay City were disclosed by Mr. A. D. Gorewalla, Commissioner of Supplies, at a Press Conference at Secretariat this morning. The newly-issued ration card covering a period of twenty-four weeks was shown by Mr. Gorewalla to the representatives of the Press present on the occasion

The enumeration of all the people living in their own houses and of those who take their meals in hotels and eating-houses, said Mr. Gorewalla, is practically complete. Only the homeless persons remain to be counted up.

It was pointed out at the conference that the articles proposed to be rationed are rice, wheat, bajri, jowar, and the products of these articles including flour, 'sogi' rava' and baker's bread.

Rationing is in the form of units per week. For each adult two units will be given, and for each child only one. People of 12 years and above will be taken as adults, and those between two years and twelve years will be counted as children. It is further proposed that subject to the stock position, the probable unit will be half paylee per week. This means that the adult will get one paylee and the child half paylee of all the cereals together per week. The maximum share of each cereal in the making of the unit will be fixed from time to time, according to the stock position, but within these a person will be able to buy whatever rationed article he likes.

For the manual labourers, such as a worker in a mill, or factory or essential services, it is proposed to allot a supplementary unit.

In case of hotels, hostels, orphanages and such other establishments where people generally board, it is proposed to fix the quantities broad-based on the average number of boarders. These establishments will get permits and not ration-cards.

DISTRIBUTION OF ARTICLES

The retail distribution of rationed articles will take place through 150 Government grain-shops, about 100 co-operative, credit and consumers' societies, stores run by communal organisations, and the grain-shops provided by mills, factories and other large-scale organisations and about 300 private retail distributors.

Every holder of the ration-card or permit will register with an authorised retail distributor for supplies, and this will be done by handing over the counter-foil of the card to the distributor who will enter in the rationing card or permit his name and address or will sign the permit. The counterfoil will show the quantity which the holder is entitled to receive. People employed in the mills and factories will register with shops run by their employers. The numbers of people will be registered, at the Government grain shops or retailers will be about 500.

At present there is a rationing officers in each ward of the city. There will, however, be extra rationing officers in several wards who will have to be informed in case of loss of cards and who will answer any of the inquiries connected with rationing.

ALL THIS FROM BLACK MARKET!

5,000 Bags Of Foodstuff Rescued

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Five thousand bags of grains which it is alleged were hoarded to be sold in the black market by a city firm of Bania grocers were confiscated from a godown at Dana Bunder when officers of the Civil Supplies Department accompanied by the Pydhoni Police carried out a sensational raid last night.

In this connection the police have arrested a well-known city merchant named Devji Shivji, the alleged owner of the hoarded grain bags, who is a partner of Messrs. Narsi Mulji and Company, grain merchants.

Being in possession of information regarding the activities of certain hoarders Licensing Inspectors Kondra, Safri, Varaskar and Passubhai of the Civil Supplies Department carried out a surprise raid on the godowns last night when 5,000 bags of undeclared grains were unearthed. Sub-Inspector Patel who escorted the raiding party put Devji Shivji under arrest and the goods were seized.

Hindus Observe Mahashivaratri

BOMBAY, Thursday.

There was a tremendous rush at Chowpaty from early hours of the morning of the Hindus who went in their thousands to bathe in the sea to celebrate the Mahashivratri holiday.

The Police made special arrangements to regulate vehicular as well as pedestrian traffic and a number of police officers and constables were posted at different strategic points for this purpose.

Special permission was granted to some of the hawkers to erect stalls for the needs of the people resorting to Chowpatty. The banks, police courts and commercial houses were closed and all the mills in the city observed a holiday which accelerated the rush at Chowpatty.

Mahashivratri is dedicated to the worship of Shiva, the "Destroyer" among the Hindu trinity. A complete fast is observed both day and night with offerings of "Ketaki" flowers and "Bel" (wood apple) leaves. This festival is observed by all Hindus of Shaivite persuasion, the corresponding festival of the Vaishnavites being Krishna Janmashtami.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

FRIDAY, March 5.

Delhi I—Programme

6 p.m. Usman Khan. 5-15 Duet. 5-25 Varender Kumar. 5-35 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 5-50 Maya and Shanta Apte. 6 Ustad Alauddin Khan. 6-45 Recitation. 6-50 Usman Khan. 7 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 7-10 Mohammad Hashim. 7-15 Pehle Pehl. 7-25 Mohammad Hashim. 7-30 Law for the Layman (4). 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Ishrat Begam. 8-40 Afzal Husain. 8-45 Jangnama. 9-30 B B C News. 9-45 World affairs. 10 Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. 10-45 Ustad Alauddin Khan.

Bombay I—Programme

8 a.m. Aradhana. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Kalyani. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Latafat Husain. 9-40 Marathi bhavgeets. 9-50 Air Quartet. 12-30 p.m. Ghazals. 1 Marathi pad. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 Lunch-hour music. 4-20 School broadcasts. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 G. T. Tilak. 5-25 Khamaj on Dilruba. 5-30 R. R. Padbidri. 5-40 Latafat Husain. 6 Children's half-hour. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 News commentary. 6-50 R. R. Padbidri. 7 New Marathi books. 7-15 Naats and Qawwalis. 7-30 Mohammad Khan. 8-5 Kalyani. 8-20 In the news. 8-25 Music. 8-30 Our Universities. 8-45 Radio reconnaissance. 9-45 World affairs. 10 Manavachija Saptavastha. 10-30 Kalyani.

Bombay II—Programme

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Morning Melodies. 8-15 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Mohammad Khan. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 4-20 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 G. T. Tilak. 8-5 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Air Orchestra. 9-10 Latafat Husain. 9-30 Julia Bennett. 9-40 Interlude. 9-45 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 10 Chamber music.

ALLIED FINANCE MINISTERS CONFER

LONDON, March 4.

Allied Finance Ministers have just held a conference here on post-war currency arrangements in Europe. A British treasury communique states that the chairman was the Financial Secretary to the Treasury. Mr Ralph Asheton and that Finance Ministers of all Allied countries having their headquarters here as well as representatives of the French National Committee took part

Besides currency matters other post-war financial questions of common interest were discussed and further meetings will soon be held There were also present representatives from the United States, Chinese, Soviet and British Dominion Governments.—Reuter.

M. SPELLMAN CARRIES BACK POPE'S PEACE MESSAGE

BERNE, March 4.

Vatican circles said on Wednesday that Archbishop of New York, Monsignor Spellman, carried the Pope's answer to President Roosevelt's letter of greeting but while the reply did not contain any discussion of peace negotiations for Italy or any other country they asserted that the Pope referred in general terms to his hope for world peace.—Reuter.

KNABEN'S PLANT OF MINES BOMBED

LONDON, March 4.

An Air Ministry communique on Wednesday states: "In daylight today Mosquitoes of the Bomber Command, one of which is missing, bombed a crushing and washing plant of mines at Knaben in Norway.

Aircraft of the Fighter Command attacked an enemy transport and other ground targets in Northern France and Holland" Knaben is 40 miles east of Stavanger Molybdenum which is mined there is very important for the German war industry.—Reuter.

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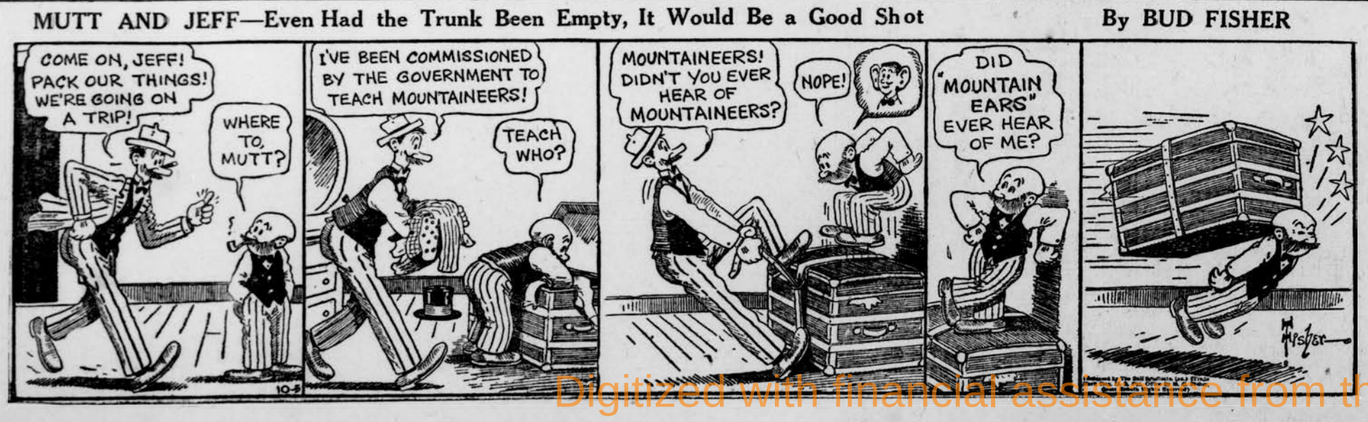
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WHERE TO, MUTT?
I'VE BEEN COMMISSIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO TEACH MOUNTAINEERS!
TEACH WHO?
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BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Mar. 4.

After a lapse of about 20 years, the local market during the working session recorded a rise of Rs. 40 per cotton. The market was feverish and excited and sooner or later it is bound to readjust. To-day March delivery opened at Rs. 548 and within few minutes prices advanced to Rs. 570 and May was quoted Rs. 580. At this level there appeared some realising and prices reacted to Rs. 562 for March. The market was unsettled with speculative activity of a gambling nature.

Thereafter there appeared further liquidations and March declined to Rs. 555 and May was quoted at Rs. 564. The market steadied at this level and under renewed buying March again advanced to Rs. 572 and closed at 3 p.m. as under:—

L. C. C. March	Rs.	565 0 0
L. C. C. May		573 0 0
L. C. C. July		580 0 0

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 4.

There was limited business owing to Maha Shivratri. Prices were nominally quoted at Rs. 106/12 for Fagan silver while Fagan gold was quoted at Rs. 68.

Fever Diet In Hospitals

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Observations have led to important conclusions about the effect of fevers on the body. The characteristic symptoms—high temperature, headache, parching heat alternating with chills—are evidence that muscle and nerve tissues are being attacked by fever poisons. The exhausting effect of these poisons presents a grave problem—as the patient is usually incapable of digesting solid food. The problem is solved by Horlicks. Tests show that Horlicks provides maximum nourishment which can be assimilated without strain. It rapidly rebuilds wasted tissues, restores strength and shortens convalescence. Many leading hospitals are including Horlicks in the dietary of malaria and other fever cases.

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CHINESE JOURNALS' HOPES FOR INDIA

Rejoicing over the termination of Mr. Gandhi's three-weeks' fast on Wednesday and especially his survival even though his health has been affected, the 'Ta-Kung-Pao' editorially expressed blessings to Mr. Gandhi as well as to India.

The daily summarises the important events in the history of India to explain that India has been a tragic nation.

Looking into the long history of India the 'Ta-Kung-Pao' points out:

"The Indian nation has had the most calamities in the world. This fact is lamentable but it is also due to this that the unification and independence of India is a gigantic task. With seven major races, more than five hundred dialects, only some seventy of which are widely used, opposition of the Muslim League and the All-India Congress together with many tribes consisting of more than five hundred feudal groups and 14,000,000 hungry untouchables, it has been most difficult and laudable for India to have reached the present stage of the national movement. On the other hand, what is considered accumulative in the course of history cannot be uprooted in one day. Therefore, Gandhiji must live for the sake of India".

The paper adds: "Either from the example of China herself or from the liberation of other nationalities, we judge that as long as a nation progresses with an enterprising spirit and united efforts, its recovery and rennaissance will be achieved."—A. P.

Muslim M.L.C. Celebrates Termination Of Fast By Distributing Sweets

CALCUTTA, March 4.

On the occasion of the termination of Gandhiji's fast, Khan Bahadur Mahomed Jan M.L.C., a prominent member of the Hindu-Muslim Unity Association, distributed sweets and money to the poor.—United Press

Is It Time For Fresh Start In India?

NEW YORK, March 4.

The "New York Times" says in an editorial to-day "Mr. Gandhi's fast has ended and he is still alive. He has made his moral demonstration. The British too have made their demonstration.

The question that now arises is whether the time has now come to make a fresh start in India". —Reuter.

ILLUMINATION & PRAYERS

ALLAHABAD, March 4.

Several places were illuminated last night as a mark of thanksgiving for the successful termination of Mahatma Gandhi's fast. Prayers, 'Akhand Kirthan' and 'Havane' were also held at some places.

The following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi is sent:—"Allahabad Harijan Ashram is holding a thanksgiving function and send you love, respect and greetings. May you live long to serve Harijans, India and humanity".—A. P.

25 Arrested For Praying For Gandhiji On Chowpatty Sands

Twenty-five persons including 4 women and 14 school girls who were arrested by the Gamdevi Police under the Defence of India Rules on Chowpatty Sands on Tuesday evening when they had gathered for offering prayers for Mahatma Gandhi and shouted Congress slogans, were on Wednesday produced before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court and ordered to be remanded in jail custody till March 9.

Truth Triumphant

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

No other sage, saint or Statesman has, within living memory observed as many long fasts, as Gandhiji has done. And barring some exceptions, he has emerged strengthened, and chastened and fully triumphant.

Gandhiji has denounced violence in his letter to the Government of India. He has proved his own innocence by passing through the present ordeal.

May wiser counsels prevail at Delhi and release, Gandhiji! Amen!

LONDON: Sir Azizul Huque, High Commissioner for India, who is to visit India, announces in a letter of thanks that over £36,000 have been given to the Bengal Cyclone Disaster Fund and more still was coming in.

Bob Hope and Madeleine Carrol in "My Favourite Blonde" at Excelsior and James Cagney (standing) in 'Yankee Doodle Dandy' at Metro.

"Week-End In Havana" At Aurora

20th Century-Fox's technicolor triumph "Week-End In Havana" is at Aurora this week. Superb performances by Alice Faye, Carmen Miranda, John Payne and Cesar Romero against a background of beautiful Havana combine to make this one of the best musical films.

"Within The Law" At Capitol

The modern tempo of metropolitan life as it compares with that of two or three decades ago is cleverly revealed in a new picture of an old play, "Within the Law", which is showing at Capitol from Friday.

Ruth Hussey, who plays the colourful role of Mary Turner, gives assurance of her ability beyond question. Tom Neal, another youthful aspirant, is excellent as Dick Gilder, the gay-young son of a millionaire.

"In Which We Serve" At New Empire

Noel Coward's "In Which We Serve" is being presented at New Empire Theatre from Friday. Noel Coward, who always had a passion for the sea, spent some time as the guest of His Majesty's Navy and the experience he gained from his trips served him well in making this epic film. The heroine is a ship, H.M.S "Torrin" a destroyer. We follow the ship from its launching until its destruction by dive bombing at the Battle of Crete.

"My Favorite Blonde" At Excelsior

Bob Hope, king of comics, needs every gag to get him out of trouble in his latest Paramount film. "My Favorite Blonde", that opens at Excelsior on Friday.

Opening in the fog-shrouded New York harbour where Madeleine, as a British secret agent, is involved in a murder, the picture wastes no time in popping the ubiquitous Bob Hope into the frying pan. Madeleine, with a gang of Nazi spies hot on her trail, seeks refuge in the New York Paramount theatre where Bob, as a ham vaudevillian, is appearing with his partner the Penguin. From there starts a transcontinental chase that is crammed with one furious adventure after another, Bob and the Penguin being in the middle of all of them.

"Wake Island" At Regal For Second Week

Out of the soul-stirring stand of a handful of Marine battling against tremendous Jap odds to hold a strategic patch of desert soil in the Pacific Paramount Pictures has fashioned a truly great picture—"Wake Island" which is continued for second week at Regal.

"Panama Hattie" At Strand

Ann Sothern appears as a Cabaret star in this M.G.M. musical picture 'Panama Hattie' being shown this week at Strand. There is a trio of sailors who ceaselessly make effort to protect the heroine from one another while she makes an altogether different choice of a spouse.

"Yankee Doodle Dandy" At Metro

"Yankee Doodle Dandy" a picture about America's master entertainer, George M. Cohan, is an entertainment miracle. The story is grand, vivid, and sparkling enough to stand alone, but coupled with a brilliant cast, fine music and excellent well-directed production numbers, it takes its place among the never-to-be-forgotten pictures in film history. James Cagney and Joan Leslie are starred in it.

"Springtime In The Rockies" In Third Week

20th Century-Fox's newest musical "Springtime In The Rockies" filmed in gorgeous technicolor and starring Carmen Miranda, John Payne, Betty Grable, Cesar Romero and a big cast of screen celebrities is continued for one more week at the Eros by popular request.

Programme At Paradise Talkies:

"Ball Of Fire" feautring Gary Cooper and Barbara Stanwyck is released from Thursday 4th to Tuesday 9th at Paradise (Mahim.)

On Wednesday, 10th and Thursday, 11th Donald Colman and Anna Lee in "My Life With Caroline" will be shown.

"Pardon My Sarong" At Palace

"Pardon My Sarong", starring Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, is at Palace this week. The two popular comedians appear as bus drivers who later become castaways on an uncharted south sea island.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 26th day of February 1943. Issue department.

LIABILITIES:

	Rs
Notes held in the Banking Department	11,87,30,000
Notes in circulation	614,35,68,000
Total Notes issued	626,22,98,000
Total Liabilities	626,22,98,000

ASSETS:

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000
Sterling Securities	385,73,17,000
Total of A.	430,14,60,000
B Rupee Coin	13,61,89,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	182,46,49,000
Total Assets	626,22,98,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 68.688 per cent.

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 26th February 1943.

LIABILITIES:

	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government of India	29,12,33,000
(2) Government of Burma	52,11,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	10,91,58,000
(b) Banks	50,52,03,000
(c) Others	3,64,83,000
Bills Payable	2,10,72,000
Other Liabilities	6,61,68,000
Rupees	113,45,28,000

ASSETS:

Notes	11,87,30,000
Rupee Coin	14,32,000
Subsidiary Coin	2,16,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,02,59,000
Balances held abroad*	91,31,87,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	1,00,000
Investments	6,50,61,000
Other Assets	2,55,43,000
Rupees	113,45,28,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Mar. 3.

March	20.28+03
May	20.15+04
July	19.98+04
Middling spot	21.98

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, Mar. 3.

March	20.56+06
May	20.42+02
July	20.22+01
Middling spot	21.02

NOON CALL.

New York, Mar. 3.

March	20.27
May	20.14
July	19.94

LONDON SILVER.

London, Mar. 3.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Mar. 3.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£68
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£82 1/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£105 3/4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	£106 7/16
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£115 1/2
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£113 15/16
Chartered Bank of I.A. and China	£ 8 5/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	£68
National Bank of India	£33 1/4

LONDON GOLD.

London, Mar. 3.

London gold fine per oz £8-8-0

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Mar. 3.

London Exchanges unquoted.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Mar. 3.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe Mar/April quoted	26/1 1/2
Wheat Australian Mar/April quoted	28

SEEDS MARKET

Bombay, Mar. 4.

The local seeds market was fairly steady with a moderate business. Groundnuts May were done at Rs. 105/4 and Castorseeds were quoted at Rs 97. Linseed May business was done at Rs. 11/8.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

JULY

New York, March 4.

Previous closing	19.98
To-day's opening	19.99
Difference	+01

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, March 4.

Previous closing 4.03

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, March 4

To-day's opening and closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON MARKETS

GOLD

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

SILVER

Spot and Forward 23 1/2d.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers.

New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS

3 months 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

SEEDS

Castorseeds Bombay March/April £34 3/4
Linseed Calcutta March/April £24 1/2
Groundnut Coromandal March/April East Coast Indian shipment £33 1/2. West Coast Indian shipment £34 1/2

METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, March 4.

New York Stock Exchange opening rates:
General Motors dol 48
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 29
U. S. Steel Common dol 54 5/8
U. S. Steel Preference dol 116

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 4

The London Stock Exchange was quiet.

LOANS

3 per cent Australian Commonwealth £108
2 1/2 per cent British Consols £82 1/8
3 per cent Conversion Loan £105 3/4
3 per cent Conversion Loan £106 9/16
4 per cent War Loan £115 1/2
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £105 7/16
3 per cent War Loan £102 9/16
4 per cent Victory Bonds £113 15/16

SHARES

Standard Motors 23 9
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 49-3
Electric Music Industry 20-9
Pinchin Johnson 31-0
Imperial Chemical 38-10 1/8
Woolsworth Ordinary 60-3
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £76 1/4
Dunlop Rubber 34-6
Unilever Ordinary 35-0
Ford Motors 30-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £75 1/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 29/32
Carreas 'A' £6 3/16
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £7 15/32
P and O Defd 30-9
Distillers 87-0
Bredford Dyers 14-6
British Celanese 16-6
J and P Coates 42-3
Courtaulds Ordinary 47-0
Fine Cotton Spinners 15-10 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary 19-6
Inter Nickels dol 61 5/8
Indian Iron 53-1 1/2
Assam Tea 20-0
Donaro Tea 34-0
Empire Tea 22-3
Barnagore Jute £7
Anglo-Dutch Rubber 14-0
Gula Kelampong 10-3
Rubber Plant £7-6
Nandydrug Mines £20 3/8
Burma Corporation 5-3
Rio Tintos £13
East Rand Properties £1 13/16
Rand Mines £6 3/4
Crown Mining £8 1/16
Associated Portland Cement 58-9
Trinidad Leasehold 73-9
Sub-Nigel £5 15/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £0 7/8
Union Corporation 143-9
Venezuela Persian Oil 34-4 1/2
Anglo-India 36-10 1/2
Burma Oil £2 15/16
Mexican Eagle 10-1 1/2
Shell Transport £3 3/8
Royal Dutch £25
Great Western Railway Ordinary £69 1/4
London Midland Railway Ordinary £30 6/8
London North Eastern Defd £4
London Southern Defd £22 6/8
London Transport 5 per cent £130
London Transport 'C' £54 3/4

FATE OF JAP CONVOY

10 Warships And 12 Transports Sunk

LONDON, March 4.

A 'communique' from Allied Headquarters in the South-West Pacific states that the Japanese convoy of 10 warships and 12 transports has been sunk or is sinking. Fifty-five Japanese planes seeking to afford cover to the convoy to New Guinea have been shot down.

Japanese losses are estimated at 15,000 men.

General MacArthur termed the action a major disaster to the Japanese in dislocating their campaign.

The battle of the Bismarck sea has now been decided.—Reuter.

'BEING RELENTLESSLY TRACKED DOWN"

LONDON:—Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in south-west Pacific says that two destroyers one of them crippled, are believed to be the only ships of the Japanese Twenty-Vessel armada not totally destroyed by Allied planes in Bismark Sea.

They are being relentlessly tracked down. Not one of the Japanese vessels got within 50 miles of New Guinea, the Armada's destination.—Reuter.

THREAT TO AUSTRALIA PARTIALLY REMOVED

LONDON, March 4.

From Reuter's special correspondent at an Allied base in South-West Pacific: Gen. MacArthur's great victory eclipses even the battle of the Coral Sea. It is the heaviest single blow dealt to the Japanese in the South-West Pacific. The most immediate and important result of the battle is that the serious Japanese threat to Australia, which they had been building up for the past three months, has now been partially removed.

It is known that not one of the Japanese ships reached Lae in New Guinea, their destination.

The Japanese naval component consisted of 22 vessels, comprising twelve transports and ten warships—cruisers and destroyers. Fifty-two covering planes have been shot out of combat.

Probably fifteen thousand of Japanese ground forces destined to attack New Guinea have been drowned or killed."

BRITAIN'S INTEREST

CANBERRA: British 'Spitfire' squadrons are fighting in Australia. The Prime Minister Mr. Curtin announced this to the House of Representatives. The form of this contribution to Australia's defences was determined by Mr. Churchill himself.

While it was recognised that the responsibility for South-West Pacific should be with the United States, Mr. Churchill had always made it clear that this in no way lessened Britain's interest in the security of Australia.

In Britain

Three Axis Bombers Brought Down

LONDON, March 4.

In the second German raid last night, Geman planes were over several south-east coast areas. A few bombs were dropped on Golf-links and others were unloaded in the sea near the shore. A bomb fell in the street of one London suburbs, killing a man standing at the door of his house. A hospital in the heart of London was hit by an anti-aircraft shell but no one was hurt. Another shell hit Woolwich townhall. Three Axis bombers were brought down. Two were destroyed over England and a third over its base in Holland.—Reuter.

MUST MEET ON EQUAL FOOTING

Past Mistakes Must Be Avoided In Post-War Settlement

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. Chen Kao-Fan, Minister of Information, speaking before the Tenth International Problems Study Group of the Chinese Peoples' Foreign Relations Association last night said that the structure in the future peace organisation must be established before the present war is over, says today's Chungking radio.

He advocated the participation in the organisation on an equal footing of both the victor and vanquished nations alike, thus eliminating the past mistake of allowing a few nations to enjoy the privileges of exercising control over the League of Nations.

In his opinion the work of the future peace organisation be threefold.

Politically the organisation must adopt measures to prevent all future international conflicts and must decide an international migration policy;

Economically, the organisation must be responsible for the readjustments of the distribution of the world's natural resources so that the standard of living of all people can be standardised;

Culturally, the organisation must undertake to promote the ideals of equality, freedom and culture among all nations.

Finally the education standard of all backward peoples must be raised.

Provision must be made to guarantee the unrestricted social progress of the people of Nation. —A. P.

TWO RAIDS OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, March 4.

An Air Ministry 'communique' states: "Enemy aircraft made two raids on this country during the night. In the first about 30 to 40 bombers crossed the coast and some of these penetrated to London. The second raid was made by a smaller force few of which reached London. Bombs were dropped in East Anglia, the Home Counties and London area. There were some casualties, of which a number were fatal, but the damage was nowhere extensive.

Three raiders were destroyed two over Britain and one over its base in Holland.

No bombs were reported to have fallen in London area during the second alert but a bomb was dropped on a Thames Estuary town.

The first raid was in the early part of the night and second at 4-30 in the morning.

Bombs were dropped also in East Anglia and South-East England.

R. A. F. RAID HAMBURG

It is officially announced that last night R. A. F. bombers made a heavy attack on Hamburg. Ten bombers are missing.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Overheard at Greens on Wednesday:

First Lady: "What is this show in aid of?"

Second Lady: "Don't you know its for the Red Cross."

First Lady: "Of course, how silly of me. I thought it was a thanksgiving for the end of the fast."

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Ex-Honourable Member Mody was quiet and conspicuously inconspicuous. He had probably read Lady Linlithgow's numanitarian appeal for the Red Cross and wondered why some of that humanity could not have been shown in the last twenty-one days.

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Victor Rosenthal paid Rs. 550 for a doll. In a special interview, exclusive to the Half Column, he said: "A bargain really!"

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Neville Wadia seemed particularly interested in the Central European dance. I admit it was pretty and all that, but Hitler could move three whole Panzer divisions in half the time.

SPRING MEETING
FIRST DAY
6th MARCH 1943
ADMISSION:
1st Enclosure: (Gentlemen) ... ... Rs. 3-0
(Ladies) ... ... Rs. 2-0
2nd Enclosure: ... ... Re. 1-4
(All N.C.O.'s and men of H.M.'s and Allied Forces in uniform will be admitted to the 1st and 2nd enclosures at half price).
BOMBAY RACES

THE VICEROY'S WAR PURPOSES FUND

March 4.

The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund has now reached a figure of Rs. 7,93,11,643. His Excellency gratefully acknowledges this splendid voluntary effort. The position of the Fund on January 31, 1943 was:—

	Rs. (LAKHS)
Total Payments	649.57
Sums earmarked and awaiting payment	76.88
Free Balance	66.66
Grand Total	793.11

Contributions for the following objects are particularly welcome:

Prisoners of War in the hands of the enemy.
Indian Red Cross Society,
War Victims Fund for East Asia.
Welfare of Indian merchant seamen.
Benevolent Funds of the fighting forces (Indian and British).

A BANKER'S ORDER WILL BE FOUND ON ANOTHER PAGE.

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